

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An online live search system is disclosed and may be implemented in method or apparatus form. According to one embodiment, a method includes sending a query to a first set of users accessible by a first user, the query including information relevant to a request for information. The method also includes receiving a response to the query from a second user, the second user a member of the first set of users, the response including information responsive to the query, the information accessible in a public portion of a system.